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Mr. Joseph C. Holm *card*

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Dear Mr. Holm:

Thank you very much for the use of your top hat on the occasion of President Kennedy's Inauguration.

Since this rarely used item is missing from my own wardrobe, I am grateful that yours was available.

I have been informed that you intended to dispose of the hat, but perhaps its recently acquired historical value will gain it a reprieve and preserve it for posterity.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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